CHRISTMAS CHIMES!

How they add to the Christmas spirit! "Silent Night, Holy Night"—"Adeste Fideles" —pealing out on crisp air that is richly laden with the memories of other Christmas seasons —of that One memorable Christmas-tide centuries ago. Each Christmas sees an ever increasing number of churches enjoying the benefits that come through the installation of Golden Voiced Tower Chimes.

A CHURCH AND COMMUNITY NEED

Not only at Christmas time but at every other season of the year these Modern Tower Chimes confer incalculable benefits through reaching the strays and non-attendants—those whom the Church most of all wants to reach but who shun every ordinary invitation. When Chimes are installed there is invariably a noticeable spiritual awakening in the community—new faces are seen in the congregation; regular communicants display added zeal.

THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDENCE.

Rom.8:28 All things work together for good to them that love God.

Intro. Life full of perplexities and apparent contradictions.

Sometimes a single act seems to make a man's whole life a lie. Sometimes a single happening shuts God from our sight as effectually as a lone black cloud can hide the sun.from view.

The again, a life-career is sometimes shaped by a most trivial incident. Take the case of Storrs and Gordon Hall-two great men of God ~~with~~ whom you no doubt have heard.

Storrs and Hall students together in Andover Seminary. Towards the end of their dource Hall was preparing to go to Braintree to preach one Sunday, expecting that probably he would be called to be pastorate there, but in the act of splitting wood his hat fell and Hall chopt it in two. Without hat he thot he could not go to Braintree and so asked Storrs to go in his steadY Storrs did and shortly was himself called to the pastorate at Braintree, where he labored for the rest of his life, over half a century. While Gordon Hall became the first Missionary of the American Board, one whose name is forever linked with the early history of missions.

But our text tells us that all things work together for good.

I have met persons who could see only a very few things working together for good.

Then others, richer and older in experience and cooler in judgment, seem to be able to say, "Most things do work together for good"

But Paul tells us that all things work together.

The complexity of a multiple printing press.

Yet it turns out the newspapers all finished and folded.

Perhaps we can best get at our unders tanding of the text by using the illustration of the tapistry weavers.

The warp threads running the length of the rug, then the woof being woven about the warp by means of various shuttles filled with different colored threads.

Likewise the warp of our lives is woven with the woof threads of various colors- the white of youthful joy, the scarlet of suffering, the gray of sorrow, the black of temtation and the golden threads of God s grace.

But as we look at life thus being woven all seems a confusion, a jumble together of good, bad and indifferent.

The weavers work from the wrong side of the pattern. The loose ends of the threads are hanging in utter confusion, and there seems to be no definite pattern.

Ah, but step to the other side of the tapestry and behold the beautiful design perfectly worked out in the various colors.

From our little earthly side of things we see only confusion, contradictions and no definite design, but from God's side of life a definite pattern is being most skillfully woven. All things are working togehter for good to them that love God who consequently work in accordance with his eternal purpose.